

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following new paragraph after the paragraph ending on line 18 of page 2:

-- DE-A-7000649 discloses "A manufacturing process for wood and aluminium window and door frames or frames made of PVC or other materials, comprising the stage of:

- working of solid wood or wood-panel components to create housing with linear transversal shaped for housing metal elements, or PVC elements;
- assembly of the above-mentioned components to create fixed and mobile frames, the assembly being done by joining the cross-pieces and the uprights of the frames using metal corner brackets positioned at the four corners of the frames, and strips or other elements which resist traction, stretched about the frames;
- -fixture with screw means of the metal or PVC elements (7), in the housing made in the internal sides of the fixed frames and the external frames of the mobile frames;
- application to the fixed and mobile frames of hinges seals and other mechanical components destined to guarantee closure, opening and in general good functioning of the frames".

DE-U-9308539 discloses a joint for union of cross-pieces and uprights, comprising a tension-rod between movable blocks.--